



Informational Notes for First Responders and Officials

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SEMA Will Provide Enhanced E-Team To ALL EMDs

During a recent regionalization meeting, Homeland Security Coordinator Paul Fennewald, and SEMA Deputy Director Duane R. Nichols learned Southwest Missouri EMDs were about to purchase a resource management program. The State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) is in the process of acquiring an enhanced E-Team statewide license, which will give ALL Missouri EMDs, police, fire, and HSRT teams **FREE** access to E-Team for disaster incident response information sharing, as well as the ability to establish inventory and resource management capabilities. EMDs must have a computer, and Internet capability to access E-Team. SEMA will be providing regional training on E-Team training. SEMA expects to have the statewide license in late summer or early fall. Training will be provided.

Missouri Tornado Update

March 8-13, 2006 Severe Storms and Tornadoes: 41 Counties declared.

- **Individual Assistance Only (12):** Cass, Cooper, Crawford, Johnson, Lincoln, Mississippi, New Madrid, Newton, Phelps, Scott, Ste. Genevieve, and Taney.
- **Individual Assistance & Public Assistance (Category A & B) (1):** Jefferson.
- **Individual Assistance & Public Assistance (All Categories) (24):** Bates, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cedar, Christian, Greene, Henry, Hickory, Howard, Iron, Lawrence, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pettis, Putnam, Randolph, Saline, St. Clair, Vernon, Webster and Wright.
- **Public Assistance Only (4):** Bollinger, Davies, Ray and Washington.

March 30-April 3, 2006 Severe Storms and Tornadoes: 7 Counties declared.

- **Individual Assistance Only (4):** Butler, Dunklin, St. Francois, and Stoddard.
- **Individual Assistance & Public Assistance (Category A & B) (2):** Andrew and Pettis.
- **Individual Assistance & Public Assistance (All Categories) (1):** Pemiscot.

FEMA Trailers Arrive in Pemiscot County

By Stephan B. Moody, Chief, Operations Branch

On April 20, 2006, the keys to new FEMA temporary homes were given to two Pemiscot County residents during a small ceremony in Caruthersville, Missouri. A Caruthersville resident received a travel trailer, and a Braggadocia resident received a mobile home. Present the keys were presented Pemiscot County Presiding Commissioner Charles Moss and Caruthersville Mayor Diane Sayre. Officials with FEMA, SEMA, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, representatives of Senators Bond, Talent and Representative Emerson, attended the event. The trailers will be set in either residential driveways or a designated site. Before the trailers can be set up, there must be electric, water and sewer connections to support the unit. FEMA and the Corps of Engineers estimate over 300 units will be authorized in Pemiscot County.

FEMA Federal Coordinating Officer Tom Costello, SEMA Director Ron Reynolds, and key staff met with Dunklin County Presiding Commissioner and acting EMD Mr. Don Collins to discuss the federal, state and local response to Dunklin County citizens.

USDA Disaster Declarations

The USDA has designated Missouri farmers for assistance from several severe weather and storm systems since March 8, 2006. The designations make all qualified farm operators eligible for low-interest emergency (EM) loans from the Farm Service Agency (FSA), provided eligibility requirements are met. Farmers in eligible counties have till December 2006 to apply for the loans to help cover part of their actual losses. FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability. FSA has a variety of programs available, in addition to the emergency loan program, to help eligible farmers recover from adversity. For more information, Emergency Management Directors should direct farmers and agricultural producers to the local FSA offices.

Homeland Security Open Grants

By Debbie Rathert, Homeland Security Grants

FY 03 (Part II) Extensions end April 30, 2006. Each jurisdiction that still has that grant open must have all items invoiced to them prior to that date. A closeout report and final billings must be sent as quickly as possible and no later than June 15th. If there is an extension necessitated by delivery delays, please contact Tom Mohr (573-526-9245) if you haven't already. **This applies to open Interoperable Communications Grants as well.**

The FY 04 Extension ends May 31, 2006. Each jurisdiction that still has that grant open must have all items invoiced to them prior to that date. A closeout report and final billings must be sent as quickly as possible and no later than July 15th. If there is an extension necessitated by delivery delays, please contact Debbie Rathert (573-526-9224) if you haven't already. **This applies to open Interoperable Communications Grants as well.**

SB 1158 May be Costly for First Responders

By Bob Dopp, MERC

This is a response issue that may be costly to first responders. SB 1158 - This act provides that an owner of anhydrous ammonia shall not be responsible for the cleanup costs associated with an anhydrous ammonia release caused by a person who illegally tampered with the owner's anhydrous ammonia. Here is the link: http://www.senate.mo.gov/06info/BTS_Web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=158049

Upcoming Area Coordinator Meetings

Here is a list of upcoming SEMA Area Coordinator meetings:

Area A:	10 a.m., June 1, 2006	Johnson County EOC, Warrensburg
Area G:	11:30 a.m., June 14, 2006	Hillbilly Junction, Willow Springs

Miller County Sets Volunteer Open House April 29, 2006

Miller County EMD and Citizens Corp Coordinator Barlow Biggers will have an Open House in Tuscumbia to introduce volunteering opportunities to Miller County citizens on April 29. The Open House will feature volunteers from Miller County's Citizen Corps, CERT, LEPC and Medical Reserve Corps. The Open House will be at the former Health Department, 134 2nd Street, Tuscumbia.

Clay County Exhibits Equipment, April 29, 2006

Protecting Our Citizens through Innovative Technology is the theme Clay County has chosen for an upcoming exhibit of new public safety equipment from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, April 29 at Lowe's Home Improvement in Liberty. Equipment on display will include the state-of-the-art Incident Command Center purchased by Clay County Emergency Management, safety equipment from the Northland HazMat Unit and Northland Fire Chiefs Association. In addition, Life Flight will be showing off one of

its helicopters and the Clay County Public Health Center will provide information on bicycle safety and blood pressure screenings. The Clay County Sheriff will demonstrate the effects of alcohol on drivers with its DWI goggles and parents will be able to help safeguard their children through the Sheriff's Ident-i-Kid program.

Consider Taking One of These SEMA Classes...

5/16-17/06	Leadership & Influence	SEOC, Jefferson City
5/16-18/06	Preparedness & Response to Agricultural Terrorism	DNR, Springfield
5/18/06	Decision Making & Problem Solving	SEOC, Jefferson City
5/23-24/06	Principles of Emergency Management	West Plains
6/1-2/06	Special Events Contingency Planning	Ozark/Springfield
6/8-9/06	Multi-Hazard Planning for Schools	Springfield
6/14-15/06	Developing & Managing Volunteers	Moberly
6/19-22/06	Explosion & Bombing Scene Investigation	Columbia
6/20-21/06	Special Events Contingency for Public Safety Agencies	St. Louis
6/20-22/06	CERT T-t-T	Columbia
6/21-22/06	Multi Hazard Planning for Schools	St. Louis Co. EMA
7/18-20/06	Emergency Planning	SEOC Jefferson City
8/1-3/06	EOC Management	SEOC Jefferson City
8/9-10/06	Mitigation Planning for Local Governments	SEOC Jefferson City

Surplus MoDOT Equipment For Sale Online

The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) has a new tool to recoup taxpayers' money by auctioning off surplus equipment on the Internet. A Web site allows various governmental agencies to sell surplus items online. So far, MoDOT auctions have included office equipment, computers, miscellaneous building supplies and furniture. The public can bid on items by registering for free at www.GovDeals.com. Get more info on MoDOT's Web site www.modot.org.

Meth Incidents in Missouri Continue to Decrease

Gov. Matt Blunt is pleased to announce that meth incidents in Missouri have continued to decrease since his tough anti-meth bill took effect last year limiting the sales of ephedrine and pseudoephedrine, ingredients used to produce the drug.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) reported a 60 percent decrease in meth incidents in February 2006 compared to February 2005. The number of meth incidents in January 2006 decreased by 57 percent compared to January 2005. The MSHP reported since Missouri's new meth law took effect, meth incidents have declined on average of 45 percent.

Health & Senior Services Sponsor June 7-8 Conference

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services is sponsoring a "Reflections from the Past...Preparing for the Future," conference June 7-8 in Columbia. The conference will focus on emergency preparedness in Boston's medical community, an eyewitness account from a nurse in Jerusalem, medical and public health aspects of radiation accident in Goiania, Brazil. Breakout sessions will focus on sheltering, emergency medical services, chemical, radiological and dirty bomb threats. For more information or to register go to: http://www.dhss.mo.gov/BT_Response/BTconferenceFlier06.pdf

Person Appointed to Advisory Committee for 911 Service Oversight

James R. Person, 48 of Belton, is the chief of police for the Belton Police Department. Person holds a bachelor's degree in the administration of justice from Culver-Stockton College and a master's of public affairs from Park University. Person's appointment is subject to Senate confirmation for a term ending on April 9, 2010. SEMA provides administrative support to the Advisory Committee for 911 Oversight.